

## State of Alabama

## **Electrical Contractors Board**

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## MINUTES Board Meeting Monday, February 4, 2008

The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors met on Monday, February 4, 2008, at the Board Office in Montgomery, Alabama in order to conduct business.

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. and the following members were in attendance: Mr. Kirk Patterson (Chair), Mr. Al Crosby (Vice-Chair), Mr. Mark Lamborne, Mr. Charles Hunn, Mr. Frank Mastin, and Mr. Donnie Cook. Also in attendance were: Mr. Keith E. Warren (Executive Secretary), Ms. Mary Windom (Board Counsel), and Mr. Randy Barrows (Executive Assistant). Mr. Jason Reid was present in the audience, representing the Home Builders Association of Alabama. Those members not in attendance were: Mr. Danny Perry, Mr. Britt McCormick and Mr. Ralph Hewes (resigned). A quorum was present to conduct business.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site and on the Secretary of State's web site in compliance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

Travel Vouchers were signed and submitted to Mr. Barrows.

Mr. Warren administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Donald R. Cook, who replaced Mr. Gary Phillips.

The minutes from the November 5, 2007 meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Mark Lamborne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mastin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Secretary Report (attached). Mr. Warren reported that there were 1574 licensed electrical contractors and 340 licensed journeymen electricians. Mr. Warren also presented a detailed list of all payment vouchers and deposit receipts beginning October 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008. Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cook and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Warren also reported on the FARB conference attended in January and also informed the Board that Ms. Windom was unable to attend.

Mr. Warren requested out of state travel approval to attend the NASCLA Mid-Year Meeting in Santa Barbara, California for March 10, 2008 until March 14, 2008. Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the out of state travel for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mastin and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Hunn presented the Board with a worksheet indicating the Board's past revisions to the general fund, and various fee options to decrease fees based on the number of licensees. After discussion, Mr. Cook made a motion to change the license and renewal fee of an electrical contractor to \$150.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Crosby. Those voting yea were Mr. Crosby, Mr. Lamborne, Mr. Hunn, Mr. Mastin and Mr. Cook. Mr. Patterson voted nay. The motion was approved.

The Board discussed the qualification requirements for the electrical contractor license. In consideration of the possibility of adding a residential electrical contractor license in future legislation, the Board discussed the current examination that is administered and compared the differences of commercial and residential questions on the examination. After discussion, Mr. Lamborne made a motion to adopt a rule for the qualifications for an electrical contractor license which reads:

"The scope of licensing for an electrical contractor includes installation, design, plan, laid-out and directly supervise electrical construction activities. This work supervised must be commercial, industrial, or residential. This license is unlimited in voltage and bid requirements. Persons applying for state wide electrical contractor examination must demonstrate a minimum of four (4) years experience that shows that you have designed, planned, laid-out and directly supervised electrical construction activities and the installing of electrical components. For each employer listed, you must submit a list of jobs you have supervised in electrical construction activities, on pages 4 and 5 of the application. Applicant may substitute (1) year of education in electrical curriculum for one-half (1/2) year electrical experience for a maximum of two (2) years credit of the four (4) years experience requirement. The applicant must submit a copy of the diploma or certificate."

The motion was seconded by Mr. Cook and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the legislative changes prepared by the working committee. It was decided to remove all reference to residential electrical contractor due to the change in the scope of qualifications for electrical contractor to include residential electrical work. There were several other corrections made and discussed to the legislation. Mr. Reid addressed the Board regarding this legislation and said he would report back to his association regarding these changes.

The Board conducted the application review. Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the applications (list attached). The motion was seconded by Mr. Mastin and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next meeting of the Board will be May 5, 2008, beginning at 10:00 a.m. located at the Board Office, 610 S. McDonough Street, Montgomery, Alabama.

There being no further business, Mr. Mastin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:41 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hunn and unanimously approved by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kirk A. Patterson

Chair

Keith E. Warren Executive Secretary